

December 30, 2018 **THE ORDER OF SERVICE** 8:30 a.m.

Welcome **Gathering to Worship God**

**Prelude:** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Nick Capone  
Gordon Young

**Announcements**  
[Please sign the connection pad at the end of the pew and pass it down the pew and back again. Note who is sitting near you and greet one another.]

**Introit:** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Chancel Choir  
Words by James Montgomery  
Music by Henry T. Smart, Arr by Jack Schrader

**\*Hymn:** "Blessed Assurance" Hymn 446

**\*Prayer of Confession**  
Holy God, we confess that we do not always love You with our whole being. We confess we do not love our neighbors as ourselves. We confess that we have despised others, even to the point of hatred. We confess that we have been hurt by others. We confess that forgiveness and reconciliation at times are just impossible for us. We know that nothing is impossible in You. We come to You, seeking healing and wholeness for us. Help us, whenever possible, to live in peace with others, to seek reconciliation, healing and forgiveness. For Your Son came and lived among us, was betrayed and denied, abused and put to death. He rose again, and came with the message of peace to those who had denied and abandoned Him. Forgive us and help us to walk in His ways. Amen

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Response of Praise:** "Gloria Patri"  
  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

**Sharing Our Life Together**

**\*Passing of the Peace**  
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.  
People: And also with you.

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**  
**Offertory:** "While By Our Sleeping Flocks We Lay" Chancel Choir  
Arr by Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

**\*Doxology:** "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"  
  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn of Preparation:** "Be Thou My Vision" Hymn 83

**Hearing God's Word**

**Scripture:** Psalm 19:21

**Message** God's Plan Stand Kenny Campbell

**We Leave to Serve the Lord**

**\*Hymn of Response:** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Hymn 161

**Benediction**

**Postlude:** "Joy to the World"  
Gordon Young

**\*Indicates that the congregation will stand**

**SERMON NOTES:**

**Prayer List as of Thursday, December 27**

Please remember to mention during the hospital admission process that you are a member of Graystone. Also, if you know of a member who has been hospitalized please notify the church office.

**Prayer Concerns: Graystone Members**

Floyd Lewis	Lois Miller
Montie Miller	Don and Gladys Rodgers
Clair Ruffner	Beverly Stuck

**Prayer Concerns: Friends and Relatives**

Deloris Bishop Kathy Beatty's mother	Diana Campbell Family
Judy Cessna Lois Miller's daughter	Dawne Davis Family
Diane Eret McCune's sister-in-law	Frank and Reatha Eret Sonja McCune's parents
Courtney LeBlanc Katie and Randy LeBlanc's daughter	Andrew Manzek friend of Karen Brown
Bud and Peggy McCune Larry McCune's parents	Andrew Niezelski Friend of George Caroff
Lindsay Regos Ron & Deb Port's daughter	Quinn Santini Clair & Donna Ruffner's great grand-daughter
Norita Toy Friend of Michelle Elgin	

**Serving in the Military**

Caleb Bracken - US Navy  
Justin Ming - Serving in Anchorage Alaska  
Andy Neely - Serving in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
Payton Smith - Navy; USS Delaware  
Dylan Wells - Fort Bragg, North Carolina  
Derek Watson, Shane Bothel, and Tyler Bothel - Navy Pilots

**Mission Focus**

**Life-Way Pregnancy Center**

Serving Him for Life. Providing abortion alternatives. We will assist, educate, and refer to appropriate resources, and a wide range of services. Pregnancy testing, pregnancy support, social welfare referrals, adoption support, parenting skills training. Also maternity, infant and children's clothing.

**Greeters:** Camden Dean, Ida Mae Evans, Mark Grant, Denise Watson

**Ushers:** Jim Brown, Greg Holsinger, Dave Moore, Gaylene Robinson, James Wagner

**The Chancel Flowers** have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **our mothers and grandmothers, Mary Nell Pollock and Jeannette Fulmer by Robert, Annette, Matthew and Tyler Pollock.**

**A PRAYER BOX**, for your requests is available in the rear of the sanctuary as well as the office.

## What's YOUR next step?

### GATHER

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** - Sunday January 27<sup>th</sup> we will be having a combined worship service at 10:00 am instead of our two service times. There will be no Sunday School hour and our services will be blended as we come together for our annual Congregational meeting and celebration of what God has done in our midst over the last year.

### CONNECT

**SATURDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will be beginning a new study on January 5 using Max Lucado's book: Glory Days. All men are welcome to join us Saturday mornings at 7:30 a.m. at Perkin's Restaurant. Contact Ron Marshall at 724-388-0957 for more information.

**EPIC RETREAT – JR/SR HIGH YOUTH RETREAT** - Registration is now open for our youth winter camp from Feb 1-3 as we go to Beulah Beach with over 200 other young people from our presbytery. This is an amazing weekend away of fun and learning about God and we'd love to have all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students join us! For more information and for online registration. Visit [www.graystoneyouth.org](http://www.graystoneyouth.org). Signs ups will go fast and space is limited so make sure you get signed up soon!

### SERVE

**COFFEE CONVERSATION:** If anyone would like to donate baked goods for coffee conversation hour (ie. Cookies, brownies, muffins etc.) please drop them off in the kitchen on Sunday morning to be used for that day or frozen for future use. If anyone would like to help with coffee hour please contact: Teresa Arblaster at 724-349-2665 or [taarblaster@icloud.com](mailto:taarblaster@icloud.com).

**LOOSE OFFERING** - Next Sunday, January 6, the loose offering will be divided among the following Mission Funds that Graystone supports: Arcadia Church Support, Nour and Rebecca Botros, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Chevy Chase, David and Ashley Coffey, EduNations Sierra Leone, EPC Church Planting. Thank you for your ongoing support of these missions.

## CALENDAR

### Happening today

8:00 a.m.	Prayer for Worship - Library
8:30 a.m.	Worship - Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 a.m.	Worship - Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Celebration Choir
	NO STONE PM

### Happening this week

**Monday, December 31** Office Closed

**Tuesday, January 1** Office Closed

*Happy New Year from Graystone!*

### Wednesday, January 2

8:00 a.m.	Prayer Group - Library
9:30 a.m.	Image Bearers - Room 101

### Thursday, January 3

6:30 a.m.	Promise Keepers Bible Study - Eat N Park
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study - Room 101
1:00 p.m.	Library Team - Library
6:00 p.m.	Nomination Committee - Library
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir - Room 211
7:30 p.m.	Worship Team - Sanctuary

### Saturday, January 5

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study - Perkin's Restaurant
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11:15 a.m.	Celebration Choir
6:00 p.m.	Stone PM - Youth Room

# Welcoming People, Following Jesus.

December 30, 2018

8:30 a.m.

# "God's Plan Stand"

## GRAYSTONE VALUES...

### FOLLOWING JESUS WITH OUR WHOLE LIVES

We are not content to just follow Jesus on Sunday mornings but in every square inch of our lives.



### TRUSTING GOD'S WORD

We are people who are anchored, fed, and shaped by God's Word.

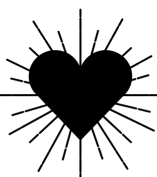


### PURSuing COMMUNITY

We are together because God made us a family and even when it's messy, it's worth it.

### SHARING THE LIFE- CHANGING MESSAGE OF JESUS

We bring the hope found only in Jesus into our homes, communities, and the world.



### EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION

We equip parents, children, youth, and young adults to lead our church and the world into a future defined by the Gospel.

